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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed April 24, 2002, the Notice of Appeal mailed October 22, 2002 and received by the USPTO on October 28, 2002, and Petition for Extension of Time mailed May 9, 2003. In addition, Applicants submit concurrently herewith a Declaration of Daniel C. Maneval, Ph.D., pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.132. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-referenced patent application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.